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To: AMERICAN CONSUL,
 NIAGARA FALLS, (CANADA).
 From: The Department of State
 Subject: VISAS: Registration of certain scientists and technicians,
 their families or other dependents.
 Reference:

There are enclosed for the attention of the consular officer in charge four lists of names of aliens, for registration on the nonpriority nonpreference quota waiting lists as intending immigrants.

While the majority of these persons appear to be chargeable to the German quota which is not as yet oversubscribed, the opening of consular offices in Germany and Austria for immigration purposes will no doubt result in the German quota becoming oversubscribed within the next few months.

The majority of these aliens are employed on military projects under the direction of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. In order to prevent any delay in the handling of these cases when security clearance is obtained, immediate registration of these aliens is deemed necessary in the national interest.

Therefore, the consular officer in charge is hereby authorized to register these aliens as intending immigrants on the waiting list as of the date of the receipt of this instruction, notwithstanding the fact that the usual registration application forms are not available and some of these persons may not be presently in the United States or may be otherwise ineligible to register as intending immigrants at the consulate under a strict construction of the regulations.

Some, if not all, of the aliens concerned may be entitled to priority under the provisions of Note 131(a)

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(3)(1)(b). Visa Supplement A. It is therefore believed that their present registration as nonpriority nonpreference applicants would not prejudice the cases of other nonpreference applicants. Appropriate instructions will be sent regarding each individual case when such priority is accorded the visa applicant.

From time to time the Consulate may be requested to transfer the registration priority established for these aliens to other consular offices.

Each registration of a husband or father will automatically establish the same priority for a wife or minor child.

Enclosure:

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